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Raquel Pinderhughes is Professor of Urban Studies & Planning at SFSU. A nationally recognized expert on green collar jobs, Pinderhughes's landmark study of green collar jobs in 21 sectors of the U.S. labor market informs understanding of how to harness green business growth to fight both pollution and poverty and provide people with multiple barriers to employment with pathways out of poverty and into prosperity. The green collar job training program she developed was used to establish the Oakland Green Jobs Corps and is now being used throughout the country, in New Jersey, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Massachusetts, San Francisco, San Mateo, and other cities and states. She has just completed an environmental literacy curriculum that is designed for green collar job training programs and green high school academies throughout the United States. Her textbook, Alternative Urban Futures: Planning for Sustainable Development in Cities throughout the World focuses on planning and policy approaches and appropriate technologies that can be used to minimize a city's impact on the environment while providing urban residents with the infrastructure and services they need to sustain a high quality of urban life. For 10 years, Pinderhughes served as the Director of the Delancey Street College Program, an innovative program that provided ex-felons and drug addicts with an opportunity to pursue a college education. She is currently President of the Board of Directors of the *Ecology Center* and of *Rising Sun Energy Center* and serves on the Board of Directors of *San Francisco Clean City*.